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In response to the Notice of Allowance, Examiner Amendment and Interview Summary (for the examiner-initiated interview of November 21, 2004), all of which were mailed on December 2, 2004 (the one-month response date for which is January 3, 2005 (since January 2, 2005 is a Sunday), our comments are as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.